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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Operations

SUBJECT:

Biographic Intelligence

1. I understand that you have directed a study be made to consider consolidation of the various foreign biographic efforts presently underway within the CIA. My interest in this stems from the belief that cost savings and quality improvement might result from establishment of a central, national foreign biographic intelligence center for the entire intelligence community.

2. I suggest that your study be designed so that it could accommodate a future assimilation with the military biographic programs. If the findings are favorable, the DCI/IC Staff could use your study or portions of it in a community-wide proposal.

> Lew Allen, Jr. D/DCI/IC

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